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Awards Banquet To Honor Seniors

Seventy-five to eighty Senior Indian students will be honored at the annual Dean's Lamanite Awards Banquet.

There are probably as many or more Seniors at BYU than other schools throughout the country, according to Willis Banks, Coordinator of Academic Services of Indian Education Department.

The Awards Banquet will be April 11 at the Cannon Center Banquet Hall at 8 p.m. Most of all the 500 Indian students are estimated to be in attendance for the annual event.

This is the first time since the beginning of Indian Education at BYU that there has been so many Seniors within one year, according to Banks.

He believes that in years to come, there will be just as many seniors waiting to graduate each year.

All the Seniors honored will not be graduating in April, although there are some, many will graduate either in August or in April 1975.

BYU has one of the largest Indian student body in the United

States. There are about 500 Indian students enrolled in the university, consisting of 65 tribes and 17 tribal blends.

All the Indian students are members of the service organization, the Tribe of Many Feathers.

The preamble of the organization's constitution is the song, "Go My Son," written by Arlene Nofschesky Williams and Carnes Burson.

The song urges young people to get an education so that they could go back to their people and help them in their struggle to obtain greatness and success.

It is with the message, "Go my son, get an education and help your Indian nation," that the Seniors will recall as they prepare to graduate within the year.

It has been the dream of Indian leaders to have its young people achieve the dream has been fulfilled at BYU, for there will come eighty Seniors, strong and able, but above that, they are young people who have made God a part of their lives.

Germany, Switzerland, Northern Africa, England and France.

It is because I've been to Spain that people have not noticed me around here and working with TMF, Nakai explained.

"People are surprised to see me 'pop' into existence and win the election for TMF president. They are probably wondering why I had not been involved all last semester," Nakai said.

"I am really excited about the coming year. We have many activities on which we are presently working," Nakai said.

"We hope to send representatives to the National Indian Women Conference in South Dakota and of course to the Miss Indian America pageant in Sheridan Wyoming," he explained.

Nakai said he is presently working on scheduling Indian Week, Miss Indian-BYU pageant, and Homecoming activities in conjunction with ASBYU schedule.

He also said, "I am very excited about our publication." He told the Eagle's Eye that he has a team working on a schedule to publish the Eagle's Eye once every two weeks.

"I appreciate all of you and have a concern for your abilities of being of service to one another and to the rest of our Indian Nation throughout the United States," said Nakai.

background and plans for TMF. Nakai has recently returned from Spain where he was on the University program, Semester abroad.

From Spain he has traveled to Italy, Greece, Israel, Austria,

Lamanite leaders will hear president of Ganado College, George Lee in the seminar's opening session on Thursday, April 4, at 9:30 a.m. in the varsity theater, ELWC.

The seminar is sponsored by the Department of Indian Education to better acquaint BYU Indian students with leaders across the country who are in the service of God and their people.

George Lee was elected as President by the Board of Regents following the resignation of Dr. James Moss, who stepped down to allow for an Indian administrator of this college located on the Navajo Reservation.

Lee is a Navajo from Shiprock, New Mexico. He earned his bachelor's degree from BYU in 1968 and his master's degree from Utah State University in 1970.

Prior to being named President, Lee had worked on the Ganado campus as Executive Vice-President, Dean of Students and Director of Indian Studies. He and his wife Kitty have two sons.

The College of Ganado is a two-year accredited community college with on-campus enrollment of over 300. About 99 per cent are Indians. The school is independently financed by individuals and organizations and has received some federal funding along with contributions from corporations. The College has gained recognition locally and regionally as well as nationally.

One of the goals Mr. Lee has for the College is that it continues to mature into a quality institution with respect to curriculum relevance, an effective staff, efficient administration, fully



George Lee

equipped student body, and distinguished performances.

Mr. Lee is no stranger to hard dedicated work in behalf of others. Some of the highlights of his accomplishments include: elected student body president in a large predominantly high school; received an award for leadership, citizenship and

scholarship; started the Miss Indian BYU contest as an undergraduate in 1965; served as president of Navajo Youth Organization in 1966 and conducted its last conference in 1968; selected as one of the 20 outstanding educators in the country; served a year's fellowship with IIEW in Washington, D.C.;

recognized nationally as one of the "outstanding Young Men of America," and has served as a missionary in the Southwest Indian Mission.

Lee will speak on Leadership, according to Larry Yazzie, chairman of the seminar.

Other activities for the conference will include workshops and a testimony meeting. There will be a banquet Friday night at the Provo North Stake Center, 1122 Grand Avenue. The banquet speaker will be Dean Terry Warner.

The banquet will start at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to come. Admission will be \$1.50 for one and \$2.00 a couple. There will also be entertainment according to the seminar committee.

All Indian students are urged to attend one of the seminar workshops. The benefits to be gained from the seminar are not completely aimed at visiting leaders but students as well, according to John Rainer, advisor for the seminar.

The Workshop will have male and females divided in the morning session with males discussing priestly responsibilities. Their roles as church leaders, as fathers in the home and as leaders in the community.

Female workshops will include women leadership positions and their responsibilities as leaders. They will discuss their leadership roles in their lives as mothers, teachers and community leaders.



William Nakai

TMF President Elect

William Nakai, a 5'6" Navajo majoring in Social work from Blanding, Utah, is the new President of the Tribe of Many Feathers.

He is interested in getting better acquainted with everyone in the organization and wants to have a successful year. He has given to the Eagle's Eye some of his

BYU Students In Orem Show

The Indian students at Orem High School asked the Tribe of Many Feathers for assistance in a production for a school assembly last month.

The students wanted to have a show that would portray the Indian as he really is, not just someone who has no talent, shy and backward.

Ray Baldwin Louis, the talented young writer, wrote a short play, "Soul of the Eagle," which will be presented April 5 at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. at the Orem High School Auditorium.

The play will be acted out to a tape prepared by some of the BYU students and some students from Orem High. The play is a story—a story too real in the lives of Indian youth—on the Church's Indian Placement Program. It's a search for identity—found only in the fleeting dreams of a young man's mind. It is in those dreams that the life of an Indian becomes real—for there is found the pride of being an Indian and that of being the "Soul of the Eagle" that speaks to the wind that lifts him unto the Great Spirit.

Tony, the troubled student, like many Indian youth across the nation (not only in the Placement Program) finds strength in his traditions and in using the values of his culture, realizes the values of the modern ways and styles.

In "Soul of the Eagle" Louis has taken another philosophical approach to Indian thought and life.

SPOTLIGHT: Irene Knudsen



TMF Spotlight for this month is Irene Knudsen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morley A. Knudsen and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Y. Brown. She was born in Otis, New Mexico. After six days, she was adopted by Brother and Sister Knudsen.

Irene is a Junior majoring in

Business. She lived in Farmington, New Mexico where she graduated. Then she went to the Church College of Hawaii for two years. She supported herself the first year and obtained a scholarship the second year. In April of 1973, she came to Brigham Young University, where she joined the

Lamanite Generation on tour to the Midwest, August 1973, she began her schooling at BYU. TMF Spotlight has found Irene to be very friendly and outgoing. She is found daily from 1:00 to 5:00, Monday through Friday.

Personal Services Displayed

On Thursday March 21st the Personal Development Services Center put on a successful display for students in room 170 Brimhall. The Fair included slides presentation, pre-recorded tapes giving helpful hints for finding summer employment, and many interesting displays ranging from valuable exercises on values to posters of quality artistic work which tell the functions of the Personal Services Center.

The theme of the Fair as well as the Personal Services Center was well displayed in a colorful poster by Zeke and Larry. It displayed a portrait of the Prophet Spencer W. Kimball with the following message, "We are a chosen people." The Center works to promote awareness among Indian students that to be of the "chosen people" is a real privilege and a

working for Bro. Gowan as a secretary.

Throughout the year, Irene has been involved in the Lamanite Generation, Polynesian Club, and she currently played the part of Runna in "The Butterfly of Hope" production. She is also Relief Society pianist.

Her hobbies are paddle ball, running, sewing. Her favorite dish is Navajo Tacos. When asked about Hawaii, she replied, "The beauty of Hawaii is not the glamour everyone thinks, to me, beauty is not the scenery and tourist—Beauty is in the people themselves." She also expounded on BYU to say, "I am very impressed with the Lamanites, however, a lot of them don't realize the potentials they have. I wish they would realize and share them more openly."

Her philosophy of life is, "Be sensitive of the needs of one another."

When asked what she would do, if she had 24 hours to spend any way she wished, she said, "I would dedicate it to both of my parents."

She said she had 12 brothers and seven sisters—five brothers and four sisters in her Anglo family and seven brothers and three sisters in her Navajo family. When asked what her goal in life was, Irene replied, "To make myself worthy to be a daughter of the Heavenly Father, and to bring the message to my people especially my father."

She wishes to return to the 'Y' next Fall and to study harder.

Lamanite Generation Week-end Tour

If one were to find himself on the first floor of the Wilkinson Center at the Program Bureau Costume room last Friday at 5:00 p.m. he would have come upon the members of the Lamanite Generation packing up all their show gear and costumes for another delightful evening of bringing sunshine and laughter to the hearts of their awaited audience.

Little does one know that before the Lamanite Generation can go out and perform, there are many long and hard hours of practice put into making their show a success. The cast, consisting of 47 members, range from freshman to seniors and also graduate students.

Friday, March 29th, found the Lamanite Generation in Salt Lake City performing at the Bonneville Junior High School before an audience of approximately 750. The show was late getting started because there was a misunderstanding concerning the time of the performance. Even though the members of the cast felt as though this was one of their poorer performances, the audience still loved the show and showed their appreciation by a standing ovation.

The next night, March 30th, the Lamanite Generation performed at the Layton High School before a crowd of 1300. The show got underway with a rousing applause from the audience as the acting M.C. turned the time over to the Lamanite Generation. Special guest performers of the two nights were Mary Ann Gambler, former member of the Lamanite Generation and Jack Christensen. The audience was very impressed with these two performers.

The show was exceptionally well received and immediately at the end of the show, the audience gave a standing ovation which almost brought the house down.

Students Urged To Collect Items

All those who participated in the production of "Butterfly of Hope" or contributed costumes or props, would you please come into the TMF Office and collect your belongings. We have blankets, shawls, sleeping bags, etc., which have not yet been claimed.

Sandy and Herb

"Listen to the voice of the Lord, your God, even Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, whose course is one eternal round, the same today as yesterday, and forever."

(Doctrine and Covenants, Sec. 35.1)

What is life? It is the flash of a firefly in the night. It is the breath of a buffalo in the wintertime. It is the little shadow which runs across the grass, and loses itself in the sunset....

As Herbee and I will begin our life together this summer, we can look back at the events that brought us together. The Lamanite Generation performances and practices, and strangely as it seems, my crowning as Miss Indian BYU 1973-1974, or after we did decide that we wanted our lives to be as "one," the telling of our plans to our parents. Both sets of parents received our news in various degrees: My mother was so shocked she dropped the phone; whereas my father accepted it and even expected it. On the other hand, Herbee's mother seemed prepared when he finally did tell her we wanted to get married!



Herb and Sandy

The Lamanite people are the possessors of what no other nation of people on this continent have and that is their natural heritage. They have the worlds—a Past, a Present and a future—in which to learn from, to build upon, to come to understand and to use for the benefit of others.

This is our goal: To serve our people. "Not my will, nor even thy will; but our will, subject always to His will."

Sandy Kerchee and Herb Clah

Indian Mission Calls Reunion

Missionary reunion for the Southwest Indian and New Mexico-Arizona Missions has been scheduled for Thursday, April 4.

The gathering will be at the Orem 20th and 37th Ward, 1200 South 400 West, at 7:30 p.m. according to William Kelly.

Everyone is invited to attend

the reunion. There will be a Polynesian dinner and entertainment with a \$1.25 donation.

Those wishing to attend should contact Kelly to assure for plenty of food at 234 HIRC or at BYU Extension 4364.

Dale Tingey, former President of the Southwest Indian Mission, will be presiding. According to Kelly, President Tingey will preside his last reunion since President Paul Felt will be returning this summer.

TMF Takes Fifth in Tourney

The Tribe of Many Feathers' basketball team took Consolation and Sportsmanship last weekend in the Fort Duchesne's Tournament of Tribal Champions.

TMF, behind the hot shooting of Larry Yazzie, took control of the game against Fort Washakie 49ers at the end of the first quarter and ran away with the game, winning by 78 points.

The final score was 145-57 as TMF set a new scoring record as a team. Yazzie also set a new individual high-scoring record in a game, winning by 63 points.

In their first game of the tournament, TMF fell to an independent team from Springville, Utah, the "Spotted Eagles."

Since it was a single elimination tournament, TMF went into the consolation bracket, reaching the

finals by defeating Utah State Saturday morning, March 30th.

Spotted Eagle's went on to take First Place in the tournament defeating the Ute Chiefs for the championship Saturday night.

Provo, Skins, another independent team from this area took third in the tournament.

TMF played under negative responses from the crowd throughout the tournament, but that did not affect the team. In the consolation game, TMF found out they could easily reach and break the old high-scoring record, if they continued to play well.

After stealing the ball and making easy lay-ups on fast breaks, TMF was almost "rob" of the opportunity for a new record when they tied the old record at 143 points with 24 seconds left in the game.

Fort Washakie took the ball down to their basket, but they could not score over the defensive play of Dee Baxter, of TMF. Finally, the 49ers scored with nine seconds to go.

TMF finally called time-out with three seconds remaining. The crowd not knowing why screamed and yelled about TMF's strange game plan.

The play was made. Get the ball to Larry Yazzie at mid-court and let him take the last shot. Time-in. The ball went to Larry, but it was the "clutch man" his brother, Perry, who took the final shot at the buzzer underneath the basket.

TMF went wild—they had accomplished their ultimate goal, even though the crowd did not agree when the new record was announced.



Shale Oil Will Devastate West

Every winter was like that:
the struggle for warmth
fighting for enough food to
take away the ache.
Against a chrome-lit sky
the hogan
a smoke-ribbon rising
covers a patch of earth
surrounded by stillness
buttes, brush and bare sage.



Always the coals kept glowing
against log
reverberating at dawn.
We knew the earth
like a cruel lover,
we held to her
as we held to each other
thru chill nights.



Now we wake to warmth
and baskets of fruit
Chrome-struck cars
flash patterns on the wall
the land is paved like a crossword puzzle,
and the sun is blocked by buildings.



"We must go back to the old way."
My father's voice rises from the stillness
of the land I return to.
Mother at the rock
grinds corn into meal.
"They will tear the breast of our land
stack her with smoke towers
sweep the creatures from her
dig into her heart for oil to warm their houses."



The evening covers the land
with shadows
Stroking the faces of its children
*who spit into their hand
offering thanks for a day's warmth
and sit as guardians
until night falls.

—Linda Ostler

*A Hopi custom, a salutation to the sun

My son, you as a dancer become the soul of the eagle. You should think and try to understand what the eagle sees when he's high up in the sky. His search for new places is not stopped by the mountain, but he rises high above his troubles to see clearly beyond the horizon and there he finds beauty in all that he can do. You should be proud of your heritage, for you as an Indian, as a child of the earth can be the soul of the eagle that speaks to the wind in the sky.

(From the play, "Soul of the Eagle,"
by Ray Baldwin Louis, to be presented at
Orem High School on April 5, 1974)

